CHAPTER NO. 746

SENATE BILL NO. 2622

By Davis

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2694

By Walker, Curtiss

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-25-208, relative to electric cooperatives.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-25-208(b), is amended by deleting the final sentence thereof and by substituting instead the following:

The bylaws may provide that members may vote for the election of district directors by mail ballot at a directorate district meeting provided that the bylaws shall contain a description of the voting procedure, which procedure shall be designed to ensure the integrity of such district director election.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this act shall not apply to any electric cooperative organized pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 65, Chapter 25, that, as reported in the June 30, 1998, TVA 4171 report, served between 40,800 and 40,900 customers and had in service between 4,015 and 4,025 miles of power line.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 10, 2000

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER

APPROVED this 18th day of May 2000